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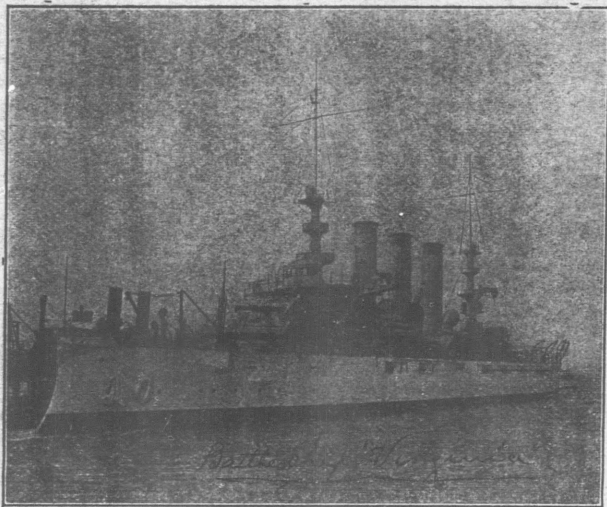
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE, SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 26, 1910.

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THE FOUNDATIONS OF OUR NAVY ARE LAID IN NAZARETH PORTLAND CEMENT!
Used for the bottoms of the following Battleships and Armed Cruisers:

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No better Portland Cement made in America than the **Old Tried and Reliable "Nazareth."** It has always stood the severest tests of the Government and all would-be competitors.

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THE EASTER VIGIL

Lord, let me watch beside Thy silent tomb,
Tis Easter eve. Thy holy pain is past;
Thy cup of life is drained even to the last.
Last bitter drear. How still the midnight gloom
Broods on the sleeping garden; bud and bloom
Wait for the dawn in slumber folded fast,
And all is still, save that the sentry paces
A moment hence, guarding Thy powerless tomb.

In the tense silence of this pregnant hour
With quickened heart I watch the eastern way
To catch the first gray trace of morning side.
Lo! as I wait, with resurrection power
A mighty angel rolls the stone away,
And Thou! "Rabboni!" standest at my side.

D. Ross & Son, 206-10 Market Street, Wilmington, are the exclusive agents for McCall Patterns and Publications, and carry in stock over ten thousand dress patterns of the latest Paris, London and New York styles from which the ladies of Middletown and vicinity can supply their pattern wants immediately at popular prices, 10 and 15c. Mail orders given prompt and careful attention.

Keep a bottle of coal oil on the shelf in the bath room, and make it a rule that each member of the family, when the bath is finished, shall wipe out the tub with an oiled rag.

NEW APPOINTMENTS MADE AT WILMINGTON CONFERENCE

Several Changes were Made Just Before the List Was Announced

V. S. COLLINS RETURNS TO MIDDLETOWN

Some sweeping changes in pastoral relations and district superintendents were made at the closing session of the Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at Salisbury, Tuesday. R. K. Stephenson, Superintendent of the Eastern district is transferred to the superintendency of Dover district and will move to Dover, succeeding S. M. Morgan. S. M. Morgan is sent to become pastor of Mt. Salem, Wilmington, a former pastor. Robert Watt is appointed superintendent of the Eastern district to succeed Stephenson. He will continue to reside in Smyrna, but at the district parsonage. A. S. Mowbray, late superintendent of Wilmington district, is assigned to Asbury Church, Smyrna, to succeed Watt. E. L. Hoffecker, late pastor of Wesley, Dover, is promoted to the superintendency of Wilmington district, the largest membership in the conference. William L. White, late pastor of Mt. Salem, is sent to the pastorate of Wesley Church, Dover, to succeed Dr. Hoffecker. Mr. White is known as one of the strong men of the conference. George P. Jones, superintendent of Salisbury district, is the only presiding elder who is retained in his place.

The appointments follow:
Wilmington District
Superintendent, E. L. Hoffecker.
Bethel Circuit, Md.—J. M. Lindale, J. F. Kane, assistant.
Cherry Hill, Md.—J. T. Price.
Chesapeake City, Md.—Edwin Gardner.
Chester-Bethel—J. A. Brewington.
Christiana—G. W. Spry (Sup.).
Claymont—G. F. Sterling.
Colors, Md.—W. M. McCann.
Delaware City and Port Penn.—H. D. Stewart, J. C. Nork, (sup.) assistant.
Ebenezer—J. H. Geoghegan.
Elk Neck, Md.—D. J. Moon (sup.).
Elkton, Md.—H. A. G. Westerfield.
Hockessin—E. L. McFarland.
Hopewell, Md.—C. W. Moore.
Marshallton-Cedars—J. Prosser, W. H. Wingate, assistant.
Mt. Lebanon—Asbury Burke.
Mt. Pleasant—E. L. McDowell.
Newark—G. T. Alderson.
New Castle—F. X. Moore.
Newport—J. H. Mitchell.
Northeast, Md.—Warren Burr.
Perryville, Md.—E. C. Sunfield.
Port Deposit, Md.—F. F. Carpenter.
Red Lion—F. B. Taylor.
Rising Sun, Md.—J. W. Jones.
Stanton—H. T. Eunis (Sup.).
St. Georges and Kirkwood—Harry Taylor.
St. John's Md.—G. P. Smith.
Zion, Md.—W. H. Briggs.

Wilmington
Asbury—E. C. Macnicol.
Brandywine and Edgemoor—H. C. Turner (One to be supplied).
Cookman—J. T. Richardson.
Eastlake—J. B. Bickling.
Elmwood—T. H. Harding.
Epworth—G. C. Williams.
Grace—H. W. Kellogg.
Harrison Street—C. T. Wyatt.
Kingswood—D. H. Willis.
Madeley—D. J. Givan.
McCabe—W. C. Poole.
Mt. Salem—S. M. Morgan.
Richardson Park—R. High Adams (Sup.).
St. Paul's—C. A. Hill.
Scott—W. G. Koops.
Silverbrook—W. E. Greenfield.
Trinity—John White, Sr. (Sup.).
Union—W. F. Cochran.
Wesley—T. R. Van Dyke.
J. M. Arters, superintendent Delaware Anti-Saloon League, member of Epworth Quarterly Conference, Wilmington.
Leonard White, assistant superintendent Delaware Anti-Saloon League, member of Epworth Quarterly Conference.
C. P. Keen, superintendent of the Western Maryland district of the Anti-Saloon League, member of Grace Quarterly Conference, Wilmington.
H. E. Reed, left without appointment to attend school.
J. W. Easley, corresponding secretary Wilmington City Missionary Society.
J. K. Easley, transferred to Newark, N. J., Conference.

Eastern District
Superintendent, Robert Watt.
Bayside, Md.—W. E. Jones.
Boxman and Neavitt—L. R. Janney.
Cecilton, Md.—O. E. Jones.
Centreville, Md.—W. A. Wise.
Chesterdown, Md.—L. E. Barrett.
Chesewold—Milton McCann.
Church Hill, Md.—E. H. Derrickson.
Clayton—Isaac G. Fennoch.
Cordova, Md.—J. L. Sparklin.
Crumpton, Md.—Daniel Wilson.
Easton, Md.—T. E. Terry.
Fairfax, Md.—John M. Kelo.
Galena, Md.—E. H. Collins.
Golt, Md.—C. K. Lewis.
Greensboro, Md.—J. P. Olin.
Henderson, Md.—Ivanhoe Willis.
Hillsboro, Md.—L. P. Corkran.
Kent Island, Md.—G. L. Hardesty.
Keaton—J. F. Anderson.
Marydel, Md.—G. R. Neese.
Middletown—V. S. Collins.
Millington, Md.—C. W. Moore.
Odessa—J. Howard Gray.
Oxford, Md.—E. E. White.
Piney Neck, Md.—W. N. Conaway, sup.

Pomona, Md.—Tilghman Smith.
Queenstown, Md.—Oran B. Rice.
Rigely, Md.—W. E. Haddart.
Rock Hill, Md.—J. T. Richardson.
Royal Oak, Md.—E. C. Prettyman.
St. Michael's, Md.—Henry S. Thompson.
Smyrna—A. S. Mowbray.
Smyrna Circuit—W. E. Matthews.

No invitation to Conference
Conference received no invitation from any place for next year's meeting and the matter was referred to the district superintendents. Bishop Hamilton suggested that the members consider some plan for entertaining themselves in the future. One suggestion was that all the ministers stop at one hotel.

Discussion over Carnegie
That the professors of Dickinson College are to share in the Carnegie endowment fund caused a lively discussion of two hours in Conference Monday afternoon. The committee on education in its report stated that Dickinson College's faculty was to share in the Carnegie endowment, and Rev. T. R. Van Dyke started the ball rolling by inquiring whether the trustees of Dickinson had declined being a Methodist institution in order to get some of Carnegie's money. Revs. Henry G. Budd, G. L. Hoffecker, Vaughan S. Collins, G. T. Alderson, Louis E. Barrett and other leading ministers took part in the discussion and wanted to know just what the Dickinson trustees did to become a participant in the Carnegie endowment. It was pointed out by some that the Carnegie fund cannot be shared by the professors of any denominational institution, and since Dickinson faculty is now eligible to participate it is evidently not regarded as a Methodist College. Others contended that while Dickinson has a Methodist board of trustees, it really has no connection officially with Methodism and is not a denominational school. The Rev. Dr. C. W. Prettyman, a trustee of Dickinson, said that so far as he knew there was no disclaimer of being a denominational school by the trustees. The upshot was that all reference to the Carnegie gift and that Dickinson is a Methodist college was stricken from the report.

HOUSEHOLD LETTER

"To work for work's sake seems to me stupid," said a clever professional woman, who is withal an excellent housekeeper, and always ready in her leisure time to extend a gracious and easy hospitality to her many friends. "I avail myself of every good, labor saving machine that is offered, and consider the money thus spent my best paying investment. Our house is small, and domestic service of a satisfactory sort is difficult to secure, and more difficult to retain. Our vacuum cleaner replaces a housemaid, and our fireless cooker, that works quietly, all day and all night with never a complaint, is so efficient in its department that we scarcely regret the absence of a cook. Our dishwasher has reduced that dreaded task to a minimum, and—'Till it not in Gath!'—we use it only once a day.

A washing machine makes the laundry work go quickly, and our patent drier is so satisfactory that Mrs. Smith, our weekly "help" can accomplish as much in one day at our house as she does in two places where old-fashioned methods prevail. We use an electric iron and the even temperature maintained prevents scorching, or roughness of finish. An electric attachment runs the sewing machine, and another makes toast on the table mornings, while we are eating our fruit and cereal, or heats the chafing dish when we cook some of our favorite dishes. A revolving table that has several shelves, and can be wheeled into the pantry, takes care of the dishes removed at the end of each course, for our service is as dainty when we are alone, as when a guest is present.

Systematic Planning
If the housekeeping seems to run automatically it is because mother is a master at reducing things to a system. It takes brains to plan the running of even the simplest home, that no one hears the cranking of the cogs, and the planning is always for the easiest possible methods consistent with comfort.

The Reserve Stock
In a little closet, in the corner of the large pantry, we keep what we call our "Reserved Stock" of prepared foods, which can be served at a moment's notice, and thus meet unexpected calls upon our hospitality. Canned soups of the finest grade, in different sizes and styles, French peas, and string beans and whole tomatoes, fine sardines and salmon and home made salad dressing in a jar enable us to concoct an appetizing salad. Hawaiian pineapple, which is picked at the moment of perfect ripeness and canned on the spot, we find delicious in sliced form, eaten with a spoon like grape fruit, for this unlike the ordinary pineapple has no woody fibre, and in the crushed and graded forms makes dainty ices, creams, and desserts. Jellies, pickles and jams, peanut butter and potted meats and cheeses are always on hand in this closet.

Quality Essential
We buy only the best brands of prepared foods for we find that though the "United States Pure Food Stamps" protect one from foods that are positively detrimental to health, they do not by any means insure the flavor and deliciousness of the contents. Only the brand of the maker can be relied upon for this, so we test the quality of such goods, and stick to the kinds we like, rejecting all "just as good" sorts, which usually prove disappointing.

ELIZABETH FRANCES.

USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

To fill cracks in old floors, soak newspapers in a paste made of a half pound of flour, three quarts of water and one-half pound of alum. Mix together and boil until as thick as putty. Force in the cracks and this will harden like iron; then it may be stained the color of the floor without any aperture being visible.

Here is a corn remedy that is said to work all right. Soak a slice of bread in enough vinegar to make it mushy and bind on the corn at night before going to bed. Take off in the morning, soak the feet and the corn will come off itself.

Stop cracks in walls with plaster of Paris but mix it with vinegar and not with water, as water sets it too quickly, while vinegar renders it more pliable.

When soaking mackerel or other salt fish, see that the skin side is placed uppermost.

It is said that good black ink mixed with the white of an egg is excellent to restore the color to black kid shoes and gloves.

Sprinkle meal with flour before chopping it or running it through the food chopper. Then the task will be an easy one.

Some people put the meringue on a pie or pudding while it is still hot. This causes the egg to liquify and quite spoils the dish.

Never grate lemon rind without first scrubbing well with a clean vegetable brush. The dirt that comes off will show the reason.

Turpentine will remove paint stains from all kinds of wooden floors. If the stains are old it may be necessary to add a little ammonia to the turpentine.

To remove grease from men's coat collars, rub with a cloth dampened in ammonia. This will sometimes remove the grease from rubbed places, such as elbows and seams.

A stain remover that has proved successful with fruit and vegetable discolorations on the hands is made by adding four drops of carbolic acid to half a pint of glycerine and rosewater.

When baking a chicken pie, turn a tescup upside down right in the center of it before putting on the top crust. This keeps it from getting dry and it is far more delicious baked in this way.

Old brass should be cleaned by pouring strong ammonia on it and then scrubbing with a brush and rinsing in cold water. After it has been polished, it will look quite beautiful.

Oysters dipped in mayonnaise dressing and then in breadcrumbs and fried are delicious and a change from the regulation fried oyster.

If a housewife fully realized the value of turpentine she would never be without it. It gives quick relief to burns, is excellent applied to corns, good for outward application for sore throats and rheumatism. By putting a few drops in drawers and chests will prevent moths; by putting a few drops in the corners or little rags soaked in it in the shelves of cupboards will keep away ants; if applied occasionally to all joints of bedsteads will keep away fleas, etc.; also a spoonful added to each pailful of water is excellent for cleaning paint, floors, etc.

White fur at this season is badly soiled. Instead of taking it to a professional cleaner, try filling fur with dampened white cotton wool, rubbing gently the way the fur lies; repeat until clean and use dry meal to fluff the fur. Shake well to remove any dust. Dark fur can be refreshed by bran made hot and rubbed well into the fur. Brush with a clean, not too stiff brush until the dull look is removed. When moistening meal for fur cleaning purposes use gasoline or benzine rather than water.

A housemaid with a duster is everlasting setting askew small pictures, and the average room after a dusting looks sadly away. All sorts of picture hooks have been invented which are supposed to grip the picture, the clamps being driven into the wall, but everything of that kind has some objection. The simplest way of keeping a picture immovable is by making a small gimlet hole in the extreme lower point of the frame where it touches the wall, and at this point drive a small nail into the wall, leaving about half an inch protruding. The hole in the frame caps this nail like a socket, and the ordinary dusting of the picture does not move it in dusting.

When patent leather shoes begin to look dull and lose their freshness a few drops of spirits of turpentine applied with a soft brush will brighten them up as they look almost like new.

A tin cup filled with vinegar and kept at the back of the stove will prevent the smell of cooking pervading the house.

If you desire to serve a baked fish whole, and have it stand upright on the platter, put a carrot inside the fish before cooking, and it will remain in position.

SPRING MILLINERY FASHION DISPLAY

If you want a Beautiful Easter Hat, one that is up-to-date, get it at
A. Fogel's
Fogel's Hats are individually pretty, no two alike. Our motto is not to trim two hats alike.

Latest
New York
Models



Latest
Paris
Models

Step by step this store has attained its position as the leading Millinery Store in this town and vicinity. Our one thought and purpose is to serve our customers well; to take advantage of every opportunity to improve that service in bringing to you the things you need and to give you the best values any store can possibly give.

It is a pleasure to come to our store and be able to choose from hundreds of beautiful stylish hats, always something new, something entirely out of the ordinary. And in order to make our Spring Opening larger and better we have spared no expense or trouble to show you a most complete, up-to-date stock of millinery. We will also display some imported hats of well known Paris milliners, which we purchased from a New York Importer.

SPRING SUITS

For Ladies and Misses in all the latest styles and shades. Dressy and practical suits, quite a range of the best up-to-date styles, shown in diagonal serge, imported panama and fancy worsted, in plain and stripes, in light and dark spring shades, the new plaited skirts. Prices, \$10, \$12, \$15, \$18. Value, \$13.50, \$16, \$18 and \$25.

Silk and Wash Dresses

In Women's and Misses' sizes. The new one piece dresses, in all the new shades, in silks and wash materials—percales, fancy ginghams and imported ginghams, some tailored and some trimmed in laces and embroideries. These goods are all samples and you can buy them at almost half their value. Prices, \$1.98 to \$18.00.

Ladies' and Misses' Skirts

In Panama, mohair, serge, voile and mixed goods. All the new styles and shades. Prices from \$1.98 to \$6.00.

Ladies' and Misses' Waists

During our Opening Week we will have a special sale of waists, including any style you want, in lawns, batiste, net, silk and madras. You certainly will need some new waists this spring so you cannot afford to miss this sale. You can buy waists at almost half price, most of them are samples and some are regular stock, which we have reduced. Sale price, 39c to \$4.00. Value, 75c to \$7.00.

W. B. CORSETS

A woman that wants to be well dressed considers the corset the most important article of dress. The W. B. Corsets known all over the world to be the only corsets that are sold more than any other, because they are perfect fitting, comfortable and come in models varied enough to suit any type of figure. Every one will give entire satisfaction as long as it is worn. The new spring models give the slender lines that fashion demands, better than any other corset, and there is no sacrifice of comfort in acquiring this effect. There is a corset model for every figure. Prices from 50c. to \$3.00.

A. FOGEL

East Main Street,

Middletown, Del.

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Pure



Grapes—
delicious, healthful—
give the most valuable ingredient, the active principle, to

ROYAL
Baking Powder
Insures wholesome and
delicious food for every
day in every home
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Middleton Close as follows:
Going North—1.25 a. m., 10.05 a. m., 4.05 p. m.
Going South—8.00 a. m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p. m.
For Newark, Cecilton and Earlville 8.30 a. m. and 4.45 p. m.
MIDDLETOWN, DEL., MARCH 26, 1910.

Local News

Holy week.
To-morrow (Sunday) will be Easter.
Arbutus is beginning to bloom on the hillsides.
Spring began officially Monday morning, at eight minutes after seven o'clock.
Bulk Garden Seed at
EVANS' EXCHANGE STORE.
Choice Seed oats for sale at
EVANS' EXCHANGE.
I pay the highest cash prices for all kinds of Fur.
W. C. JONES.
Potato Planter for hire. Address E. E. PAXSON, Middletown, Del.
Dr. Allen Johnson will examine your teeth and give estimate without charge.
Northern ground Seed Potatoes. Prices right. At EVANS' EXCHANGE STORE.
Ping Pong—30 photos in six different positions for 25c. at
MORNO'S.
EASTER FLOWERS for sale. Also orders for Cut Flowers promptly attended to.
J. H. EMERSON.
LAUNDRY—Send your laundry to Turner Bros., Wilmington, for first-class work.
J. WILLIAM BRADSTON, Agent.
All kinds of fresh and salt Meats, Sausage, Scapple and Lard condensed on hand.
W. C. JONES.
This is the year to grow good crops, but to do so you must plant good seed. Get them at
BANNING'S.
All persons trespassing on Long Island farm, marsh and waterways will be dealt with according to law.
C. FOX.
I am closing out the paint and wall paper business, and everything in this line will be sold below cost.
WALTER MONRO.
Our personal column can be made more complete and interesting if our readers will send notices of entertainments and visitors.
Highest cash prices paid for all kinds of Poultry and Eggs.
W. C. JONES.
FOR SALE—Maine-grown Seed Potatoes, \$2.50 to \$2.75 bag. Onion Sets, \$2.00 to \$2.50 bushel.
JOSEPH E. HOLLAND, Milford, Del.
FOR RENT—Stable on West Main street, opposite National Hotel. Possession March 25th.
G. E. HUKILL.
Be fitted to just the right model of the American Lady Corset for your individual figure and obtain the correct foundation for your new gown. MISS S. S. HARRISON.
Three and a half million eggs were thrown on the wholesale market in Chicago last week, causing a reduction in price, seldom seen at this season of the year.
William Stafford was arrested by Detective Armstrong on Tuesday for trespassing on the property of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and sent to the Workhouse for 30 days.
A pair of gold eye glasses were picked up on the street on Tuesday, which the owner can have by calling at the residence of Mr. Gary Whitlock, on East Main street.
Stored in our Warehouses all kinds of FERTILIZERS for SPRING CROPS. Send your terms and we will give them prompt attention. JESSIE L. SHEPHERD, Phone 5.
Have your Live Stock Insured against death from any cause, in the Indiana & Ohio Live Stock Insurance Co. For rates write to John J. Jolls, Agent, Middletown, Delaware.
Sale of Household Goods, mostly antique furniture, at "Sunny Side," the home of Schae M. Lockwood, near Middletown, Delaware, Thursday, March 24, at 11 o'clock.
H. S. M. LOCKWOOD.
Messrs. Alexander Maxwell and Michael Carroll have rented the lively stable of L. C. Scott, and as soon as arrangements can be completed, will open a first-class livery, feed and exchange stable.
We will have in our Warehouses 5 Car Loads of SEED POTATOES, shipped direct from MAINE. True to name. Place your orders early.
Phone 5. JESSIE L. SHEPHERD.
After October first, the Library hours will be as follows: Tuesday, 3.30 to 5; Friday, 7 to 8.30; Saturday, 3 to 5. The Library will be open on Tuesday evenings, from 7 to 8.30, for school children exclusively.
FOR SALE—The property on Green street, now occupied by Mr. Harry Kelley. In excellent condition; 8 rooms, bath, heat, range in kitchen and all modern improvements. For particulars apply to
R. L. PARK.
J. Frank Biggs, trustee in bankruptcy, disposed of the two stores of W. T. DeValinger, located in Middletown and Townsend, on Monday last. Topkiss Bros. of Wilmington, purchased both stores, and will conduct the one located at Townsend.
Constantly on hand, all sizes of the Best Veneer and best prepared Hard Coal, for Heaters, Ranges and Cook Stoves. Clean and full weight. Prompt delivery at lowest prices. Also Cord Wood sawed to stove length, \$2.00 for cordwood. If you have not been using our coal, try it and be happy.
G. E. HUKILL.
We now have on hand for sale 3000 good chestnut vine fence posts. Let us have your order and we will reserve the posts for you until you are ready to use them.
J. F. McWHORTON & SON.
FOR RENT—Ten room house, stable and garden, with privilege of renting 5 acres of land. This property is known as the "Lockwood Farm," and adjoins Middletown. Excellent truck or chicken farm. Apply to
J. C. ALSTON, Middletown, Del.
Wood's Gloveine, guaranteed to perfectly clean kid gloves, cloth, silk or other finery without leaving a stain, streak or spot. No gasoline or benzine. No odor. Rub cake on dry, wipe off with damp cloth.
MISS S. S. HARRISON.
PREPARE FOR WINTER'S COMFORT by giving your orders now for WILBUR'S CELEBRATED HIGH-GRADE LEHIGH COAL for April Delivery at April Prices. \$6.50 Delivered, \$6.25 F. O. B. Yard. Guaranteed free from DIRT. Always in Stock.
Phone 5. JESSIE L. SHEPHERD.

The State Board of Agriculture will offer premiums amounting to \$100 to be awarded to corn growers at the New England corn show, to be held the latter part of November.
Friday was moving day in Middletown, when a large number of our residents exchanged their places of abode, and for the next 30 days the carpenter, paperhanger and painter will be in demand.
I wish to announce to my patrons that my spring clothing for men, boys and youths, will arrive in a short while, when I will be glad to have you call and inspect them.
JOE HOLZNER.
The program for the next meeting of the New Century Club includes "Clive and Forestry" Mrs. H. B. McDowell, chair man. Talk by Federation Chairman, Mrs. Charles Jolls. Tea served by Club Hostess.

The first Delaware shad of the season was caught Saturday afternoon by Rufus Yearley at Port Penn. The catch amounted to two fine specimens of this famed species of denizens of the Delaware and they tipped the scales at 12 pounds.
Ave Lifton was arrested on Tuesday by Chief Stanley and given a hearing before "Squire Cox." The charge on which Lifton was apprehended was for selling goods without a license and a fine of \$20 and costs were imposed, which were promptly paid.
The Forest Presbyterian Church will observe the Easter season on to-morrow, Easter Sunday. Special music will be rendered, and the Rev. F. H. Moore will preach appropriate sermons at the morning and evening services. All cordially invited.

EGGS FOR SETTING—Rose Comb Rhode-Island Reds, by the setting or hundred. My stock of birds is the best money can buy, and as winter layers the Reds stand at the top of the bunch. Write your wants to
C. P. COCHRAN, Middletown, Del.
Rural Delivery carrier Samuel Buckworth has purchased a "motor cycle" for use in distributing Uncle Sam's mail. The "motor cycle" is no experiment with rural carriers, and since the price of all horse foods have soared so high during the past few years, the motor cycle is growing in favor.

Our good old grandmother used to say that the Devil was sitting on a stump crying for fashion. If she could see the latest roster hats, a Chantrelle, she would doubtless be convinced that his Satanic Majesty had at last found what he was crying for.
Baker Bros. of Aberdeen, Md., who have run the corn cannery here for several years, had a representative in town on Monday contracting for corn. They offered \$9.50 per ton, which price was accepted by the farmers, who promised to put in 500 acres of corn.
Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending March 17th: Mrs. Dick Johnson, Mrs. Eli Jones, Mr. John Jones, Miss Mary Wright, Mr. Henry Ashe, Mr. H. B. Burtis, Mr. Norman Hinson, Mr. Arley Shuman.
S. Burman has leased the store formerly occupied by W. T. DeValinger on North Broad street, and will add this room to his present large space, which will permit him to add many new lines to his stock which he has not handled in the past. Read his announcement in this issue.

The Rev. J. U. King, who has just been returned as pastor of Dales M. E. Church for his fourth year, filled the pulpit of Immanuel M. E. Church in Philadelphia, last Sunday morning, and was introduced to the congregation by Mr. Shaw, who is Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension Society.
All farmers report fruit sale at this time. The peach bud has not developed far enough to be affected by freezing and it will require several warm days before it will open so that frost can injure it. The strawberry plant is only beginning its growth, which means a late blossom, which is very apt to fruit.
The Rev. M. E. Conference has appointed the late J. Howard Gray, pastor of St. Paul's M. E. Church, Odessa, and he will be present and preach next Sunday morning. In the evening the Sunday School will give a beautiful Easter exercise, "The Risen Lord." All members and friends are most cordially invited to these services.

While preparing dinner at her home near Mr. Pleasant last Friday morning, Mrs. Elwood Brown met with a painful accident. In walking across the kitchen with a coffee pot in her hand she fell, the hot coffee scalding her foot quite severely. A physician dressed the wound and she is now improving as rapidly as possible.
At the fourth quarterly conference of Warwick, Md., Mr. George W. Thomas of Salem Church was elected delegate to represent the charge in the annual conference which meets in Baltimore first Wednesday in April, by a unanimous vote. The delegate was instructed to ask for the return of Rev. C. M. Cullum for another year.
The railroad employees in this section are now receiving instructions in the "New Book of Rules," from which they will be required to pass examinations in the near future. Under these rules a new code of signals will be used to effect about the first of May, and the various changes are so radical that it is making some employees hesitate to prepare for the examinations.

The State Board of Agriculture has decided to prepare a descriptive price list of Delaware farms for sale, and send it to applicants for information about the State. A uniform charge of fifty cents will be made to the owner of the farms for a description not to exceed one hundred words, and a proportionate charge for a longer description. The location of the farm, number of acres, improvements, price and name and postoffice address of the owner should be given, and the description sent to the office of the Board in Dover.
We have arranged with the manufacturers of Chl-Namel and the Chl-Namel Graining, Staining and Varnishing Process to have one of their expert demonstrators spend two days with us, April 1st and 2d, for the special purpose of teaching our patrons to use the little tool and furnish our trade free of cost, expert instruction in the treatment of interior woodwork. This will be a rare opportunity for the ladies to learn how to grain and varnish their own floors and woodwork. Chl-Namel graining will outwear the ordinary floor varnish many times over. We hope all the ladies will arrange to call while she is here.
J. F. McWHORTON & SON.

The members of the New Century Club are planning to hold a Bake and Ramble sale on Saturday, April second. The place has not been decided on, but due notice will be given. Save your old clothes and present them to the Club for the Ramble and go to the Bake for your Sunday pie and cake.
Mr. Walter Monro, the local photographer has purchased the Glass Studio, located at 123 Monticello Avenue, Jersey City, N. Y., and as soon as he can dispose of his place of business, will move his family to that place. Mr. Monro has gained quite a reputation in this section, and no doubt will be successful in his new undertaking.
Donation day at the Palmer Home for Old People at Dover will be Wednesday, April 6th. The ladies of the New Century Club are going to send a box, containing jars of preserves, jelly, sugar, coffee, soap, sheets, pillow cases, towels, etc. We trust that everybody will want to help as it is a worthy cause. The articles may be left at Mr. Bragdon's store not later than April 4th.

Miss Elsie Byron, a pupil of the Middletown Public School was taken suddenly ill with acute indigestion while attending school Tuesday morning. A physician was sent for, but just at that time there was not one in town. The teacher rendered all assistance possible and the results of their efforts were soon evident and the patient able to go to her home.
The Little Light Bearers of Bethesda M. E. Church will give an evening of song, recitation, etc., next Monday evening, March 28th, at 7.30 o'clock, in the lecture room at the church. It will also be their annual Easter thank-offering from their Mite boxes. Let every one having a Mite box be present and help swell the amount for missions. Let other people be there to encourage the little ones.
The "McWhorter" potato planter was given a trial in order to demonstrate its superior merits, on the farm of Mr. Charles Ellison, near Chesapeake City Tuesday morning. Quite a number of farmers were present, and expressed themselves as being well pleased with the work of the planter; and while it is of necessity a complicated piece of machinery, its working is simple, and any intelligent farmer can operate it most successfully after receiving a few instructions.

The amounts raised by the classes of Bethesda M. E. Sunday School for mission work during the year ending March, 1910, are given below: Miss Mollie J. Wilson, \$28; Martin B. Barrie, \$33.90; Miss Elsie B. Hurn, \$12; Miss Louise Cox, \$12; Enoch G. Allee, \$10.50; Miss Margaret Weldin, \$12; Jacob H. Emerson, \$8; Miss Sarah Weldin, \$7; Miss Mary L. Atkins, \$10.50; Miss Emma R. Merritt, \$27.60; Rev. Vaughan S. Collins, \$100; William B. Kates, \$10; Miss E. Mae Kumpel, \$4; Minors Banning, \$14; primary department, \$37.50; total, \$325.

PERSONALS
Miss Lola Buehn is visiting relatives in Wilmington.
Miss Addie Davis spent several days in Wilmington.
Mr. Robert Stott, of Dover, was in town on Wednesday.
Mr. Joshua Crossland was a Wilmington visitor on Sunday.
Miss Dora R. Price is entertaining Miss May Whaley, of Norfolk, Va.
Mr. Harry Manlove spent Saturday and Sunday with Wilmington friends.
Miss Emma Kelley has returned home, after a visit with Wilmington friends.
Mrs. Carrie Short, of Newark, visited Mrs. S. J. Brockton the first of the week.
Mrs. M. B. Barrie spent part of this week with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Arthur.
Mrs. Cora Gallagher, of Dover, has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Harry Black.
Mrs. Leslie Schreitz and daughter, Miss Jeanette, spent Wednesday in Wilmington.
Mrs. W. V. Mesick, of Smyrna, spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mesick.
Miss Eva Whitlock, of Philadelphia, will spend Easter Sunday at her home here.
Mrs. W. T. Connelley and son Alfred, spent several days of this week in Philadelphia.
Mrs. George Richards is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Crossland, near Delaware City.
Miss Beulah Backson, of Wilmington, will spend Easter Sunday with Miss Lulu Vinyard.
Miss Elizabeth Holten, of Dover, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Julia Holten, over Sunday.
Miss Hattie Cullen spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. John W. Redgrave, in Middle Neck.
Mrs. George L. Townsend, Jr., is entertaining her mother, Mrs. J. B. Casier, of near Kirkwood.
Mr. Grant Rowbottom, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mr. Samuel Price and family over Sunday.
Mr. Herman Wilson, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wilson.
Mr. Philip Short, of Georgetown, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Dutton and daughter, Miss Lena.
Mr. and Mrs. George C. Allen and children, of Philadelphia, are guests at the Middletown Hotel over Easter.
Mrs. Katharine Hanson and daughter, Miss Margaret, of New York City, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Cochran.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Green, of Wilmington, were over Sunday visitors with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Green.
Mrs. Vaughan S. Collins and daughter, Miss Rebecca, spent several days last week with Mrs. Laura Lee Temple, in Smyrna.
Miss Alice Case, of Philadelphia, who for several days has been visiting Mrs. M. B. Barrie, has gone to Kenton to be the guest of Mrs. J. M. Arthur.

BETHESDA CHURCH NOTES
A very interesting Easter program has been arranged for Bethesda M. E. Church, when the pastor, Rev. Vaughan S. Collins will fill his pulpit for the first time since his return from Conference. The program follows:
9.30 A. M., Brotherhood meeting led by A. G. Cox, Esq.
10.30 A. M., sermon by the pastor, "The Risen Christ."
2 P. M., Sunday School.
7.30 P. M., sermon, "Go Tell."

SLAYED WOMAN HE LOVED

Then Charles Tindall Ended His Own Life
Spurned by the woman he loved and who had married another, Charles Tindall, aged 24 years, son of George Tindall, formerly a well known contractor in Wilmington, but now of New York, Wednesday afternoon killed the woman and then sent three bullets crashing through his own brain.
The woman was Mrs. Clara Newcomb, aged 25 years, wife of Clement Newcomb. The shooting occurred in her home, No. 1027 Poplar street, shortly before 4 o'clock. The young woman died in the arms of her mother, Mrs. Kate Beauchamp, of No. 605 East Seventh street, who with her son and her brother, Oliver Beauchamp, had arrived at her daughter's home a few minutes before the tragedy occurred.

Tindall Wednesday afternoon went to her home and finding her in the kitchen forced her into the front hallway, but she managed to break away. He was then trying to persuade her to go away with him but she steadfastly refused.
Tindall sat on the stairs while Mrs. Newcomb ran to the kitchen. Mrs. Newcomb, badly frightened, implored her mother not to say anything, fearing that it might arouse Tindall.
Beauchamp ordered the young man from the house and without saying a word the latter whipped out a revolver and fired twice at Mrs. Newcomb. Both bullets penetrated the young woman's breast. Screaming, "Oh My God," she fell back into her mother's arms. Tindall then tried to shoot Oliver Beauchamp.

When told that the young woman was dead, Tindall withdrew into the dining room and an instant later the reports of three shots rang out. When found, Tindall's body was stretched on the floor and there were three wounds in his head. He was dead.

EASTER AT ST. ANNES

The following musical program will be rendered at St. Anne's Episcopal Church on Easter Day. First Celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 A. M. Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion at 10.30. Evening Prayer and Sermon at 4 P. M.
Processional Hymn: "Welcome, happy morning," Sullivan Anthem, "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us."
Te Deum, in E Flat. E. Whelan.
Requiem, in E Flat. H. W. H. Woodward.
Hymn: "At the Lamb's high feast we sing," J. Roemer.
Anthem: "He is not here: He is risen!" (Music by Ervin W. Reade).
Communion Hymn: "Draw nigh and take," A. R. Brown.
Recessional Hymn: "Come ye faithful, raise the strain," Sullivan.
The theme of the morning sermon will be "Why seek ye the living among the dead." And in the evening, "The first Fruits of Resurrection." In the Evening a special program will be rendered. Hymn, "Alleluia-alleluia, The strife is o'er, Victory, Magnificat in F, E. Bennett, Nine Ditties E. Bennett, Anthem, "The Day of Resurrection," G. C. Martin. "Angels, roll the rock away!" J. B. Dykes.

THEY LIT OUT
A funny little comedy took place Wednesday morning at the witching hour of 2 o'clock. One of our citizens was awakened by a sharp report like that of a gun, and looking out of his window saw a large auto right under the arch light on Cochran Square—evidently in some sort of tire trouble.
Citizen and the night officer soon joined the two gentlemen who by this time had removed the tire. The strangers seemed nervous about something and citizen told officer "These fellows have no license."
"Will you get me a small piece of cardboard about 16 inches long," asked one of the men whom the other addressed as Percy. Citizen told where the board could be found and he and officer went to fetch it. When they returned with the board one of the strangers was "cranking up," and before citizen or officer could say "Jack Robinson" off shot the auto bareheaded down the road.
Spanish history tells with great pride that such was the terror inspired by their famous warriors—the Cid—that after his death his very name would put his foes to flight. Once they put his dead body on horseback at the head of their troop and their affrighted enemies fled pell mell.
Well, here's the explanation of our automobilists so hastily "lighting out"—they had heard of Chief Stanley's exploits that fatted the town coffers so richly last year.

CHILDREN NEGLECTED
Special Agent Frank Stott, of Wilmington, representing the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, was sent word a few days ago that the family of William L. Bolton, living near Iron Hill, in this County, were being neglected. He went there and found the six children, ranging from fourteen years to seven months in age, in a pitiful condition, needing food and clothing. The mother was arrested on the charge of neglecting her children, was fined \$20 and costs, which was later remitted. She said her husband worked on a farm in Maryland but had not provided for his family for some time. The five oldest children were sent to the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children. The mother, who was ill, was sent to the hospital in Wilmington with the baby.

LOCKWOOD IS IN OHIO

Mrs. A. M. McKee received a postal from her nephew, Douglas Lockwood on Monday, containing the information he has reached Barboursville, Ohio, on his way to Honolulu. Douglas is the young man who was an inmate of the Elywn Institution and disappeared from Broad street station, Philadelphia, when left alone for a few minutes by a relative. He made his way across Pennsylvania, leaving Philadelphia with only \$10. The young man is now at work for the Diamond Match Company and after a time will proceed on his journey, and join his parents who are living in Honolulu.

SEEN AND HEARD

Well, George, keep the good work up, and some of these days you will receive a telegram, saying: "Come down to the Capital at once, Cannon has resigned and Uncle Sam is in need of an orator."
Guess the fish are "running in shallow water" now, from the increasing number of tin-horn tooters heard about town. Duke says it's "rather early," that prices are "running up" too.
That it is necessary for the young ladies to be present at the opening of a church service, for the young men to be present at the close.
It is said that dancing makes girls feel large. It is also said that ice cream makes freckles, and local physicians are of the opinion that hanging on the front gate produces rheumatism. Just a few more opinions like these and our girls won't have sufficient inducements left to buy a "frother hat."
That beautiful girl whom you worship as a pillar of unadorned sweetness Warner, doesn't contain even three ounces of sugar. It has been shown by analysis that a young lady weighing 154 pounds is composed of 96 pounds of water, three pounds of the white of eggs, a little less than one pound of glue, 344 pounds of fat, 84 pounds of phosphate of lime, three ounces of sugar and starch, seven ounces of chloride of calcium, six ounces of phosphate of magnesia and an abundance of conceit.

Bless us how fine our streets are getting to be! Scraped and swept too. Now we will not unkindly quote the old saw about "sweep broom," but trust that the Town Board will still keep it at even after the broom is old.
Last Tuesday Chief Stanley was seen "running in" a bunch of seals, from the manner in which our informant separated his hands by way of measurement, must have been about five feet long. Skin 'em as if you loved 'em Chief.
That it costs more for a merchant to brush cob webs off his goods than it does to advertise.
The Sewing Circle—a society composed of some two or three dozen of our finest young ladies, and devoted to fine, investigation, of psychic and occult phenomena generally—held a very successful seance on Monday evening of this week. Their Ouija board is a square shaped little tripod upon which is supposed to sit the invisible divining Pythones "Ouija" who, at promptings from the eager finger tips of the members, responds in some sort of a mental telepathic way to their queries. If some of her answers are a bit enigmatical we must remember that her Greek prototype raving from her bronze stool amid the fumes of Delphi was also a trifle ambiguous at times. However, the responses at this "seance" of the spooks and the curious young ladies were many and spicy.

Through our Society reporter's successful keyhole interview we are able to give a few of them.
To Miss C. Yes, he likes blonde, but no of the peroxide brand. Have you? Too bad! Then out it off at once and wear a wig till it grows out again. Hope he won't find you. If he does, get your doctor to swear you were "brained with incipient alopecia," and did it too save your lovely locks, etc.
To Miss A. No, he is not engaged in anything at present but wearing his little cap on his off ear, and snoring down town with a big cherub in his mouth.
To Miss V. Did he breathe small fanny? Perhaps he'd been using oil of cloves for the toothache. Don't judge him too harshly.
To Miss F. Did he like the taste of those ruby lips? Well, just try him once more and see, you sweet doubting little puss.
To Miss S. Yes, he has a bad case of dyspepsia already, and fears a matrimonial cuisine might finish him. "Ouija" advises you to spend six months or a year in a cooking school, and then for a wind-up, lay yourself out in a big dinner, inviting pa and ma, and dear old grandma and the rest—and of course, Tom. Perhaps this may give him a jolt in your direction.
To Miss G. No, he does not wear a liver pad and does not more—at least not enough to disturb his old grandma, who is a trifle deaf. But he wears "cold feet" sometimes, though he believes, he never gets them in affairs of the heart.

Fred got a bran new "Life Tube," they say. For quite a spell Fred has been a student of all sorts of things current and scientific. Lately, though, he has been going in for "Ozone." In an unsuspecting moment he read a seductive "Ad." that with lurid rhetoric set forth the countless blessings flowing from the use of the "Wonderful Life Tube" that invigorates the whole system physically, intellectually, morally, financially, etc. He was so ravished at the prospect that he ordered one forthwith with full directions "How to get just; double your brain power; get a full head of hair," etc.
Now, Fred's a husky youth with a full supply of hair, but, like the rest of us, he thought it would be a fine thing to double his quantum of gray matter.
We never saw the gimcrack, but it has been described to us as somewhere between four inches and fourteen feet long. Directions say "On retiring place one end of the Life Tube in your mouth and run the other out the window and up towards the roof where the latest and best thing in ozone is on perpetual tap. Fred says it works fine—like it better than any liver pad he ever wore—can just feel the ozone trickling down his throat and running out at his toes—he thinks over us all at this time of the year. Believe his corns are better, etc. "Best thing I ever struck—goes to write for the agency."
Well, success to you, Fred.
P. S. Since perusing the above we regret to learn that Fred's "Life Tube" somehow got out of whack—the ozone got choked in the Tube or something. Anyhow, his dried feelers are back again and his corns are as same as ever. He has thrown up the sponge and sent "the all-fired thing" that "the way he was talking about it now"—back where it came from.

TWO GUARDS SHOT

Colored Man Riddled With Bullets
With the memory of the workhouse tragedy in which Guard John F. Campbell was shot and killed still vividly fresh in the public mind the County was shocked Wednesday when it became known that there had been a repetition of this affair. Stephen Hunter, colored, aged about 24 years, a prisoner, shot and is believed mortally wounded Walter G. Hastings, aged about 35 years, and Thomas McCullough, aged about 40 years, two guards at the prison, and later was shot and it is thought fatally wounded himself by other guards.
Hastings, who makes his home at the workhouse, is a brother to Resident Judge Daniel O. Hastings. He has been a guard about five years. McCullough lives in Wilmington and has been a guard about three years. Both men are now at the Delaware Hospital. Hastings was shot twice in the stomach. McCullough shot once in the stomach. The bullets penetrated the intestines of both men and it is on this account that it is feared their wounds may prove fatal. Both are single. They were operated on Wednesday and the bullets were removed from Hastings' body, but the ball in McCullough could not be located.

Hunter was shot seven times. One bullet passed close to his heart and it is thought this wound will prove fatal. In addition to the bullet wounds he was given a terrible beating about the head with blackjacks before he was subdued. He was cut and bruised and lost much blood. He is now in a cell in the basement of the workhouse where he was placed after the shooting.
The trouble occurred Wednesday morning about 7 o'clock. At that hour the prisoners are taken from their cells to the dining room for breakfast. At the same time practically the roll call of the guards is held. It was Guard Hastings' duty to receive the prisoners confined on the fourth tier or top floor in the east cell wing.

In letting them out the cell doors are opened and the men line up in single file and march down stairs. When they file out of the door at the end of the tier Guard Hastings throws a lever which opens all the doors again. He had opened the doors Wednesday morning and stood aside as the men passed him.
He had his back turned towards the line of prisoners in doing this work and Hunter seemed to see and take advantage of his position. Leaping from the line and before any of the others knew what he was about Hunter had sprung upon Guard Hastings and struck him a stunning blow with his fist in the back of the head. Hastings was not knocked down, but he did not realize for an instant what had taken place.

Hunter is one of the biggest and most powerful prisoners ever confined in the prison. Hastings is not a very big man, but he is stockily built and muscular. It did not take him long to come to a realization of the situation, and despite the disadvantage at which he was fighting, he turned and closed in mortal combat with the big negro prisoner. During the struggle, Guard Hastings reached for his revolver and drew out the weapon. While not determined definitely, it is thought he shot Hunter twice.

When it was finally evident that Bettes could not be dislodged along the lines that were being followed, by the police, it was decided to call on the firemen. The Water Watch Fire Co. was summoned and a line of hose run from a plug to the edge of the train platform. A barricade of express trucks, rails, railroad ties and planks was thrown up, and after inserting the nozzle through an opening the water was turned on. The stream was directed through the broken oval windows and into the barricade of Bettes.

When the water had its effect. Without warning Bettes stepped out on the platform of the car. As he did so several shots were fired at him. After catching hold of Bethesda Sergeant Kelleher found that the man was mortally wounded. He had dropped his revolver and immediately the police dragged him from the platform of the car. Bettes did not speak a word from the time he fell on the platform. When taken off he was in a dying condition, for he had literally been riddled with lead. One shot was near the heart and this probably killed him. Papers in the clothing after the body had been moved to the morgue enabled the coroner to identify him. In a note book he had written his name, J. H. Bettes, 188 pounds, 6 feet tall. In case of accident please notify M. E. Medlin, Dillon, South Carolina. Word was sent to that party Wednesday night.

LOST SIX HORSES

Deputy Sheriff Money Met With Serious Loss
During the past week Walter S. Money, deputy sheriff, who conducts a fine farm near Townsend, has lost six valuable horses. Their deaths were due to eating moldy hay or the moldy straw that was used for bedding, according to Veterinarian H. B. McDowell, who was called to the farm to investigate the cases on Friday last week. The horses after becoming ill lived not more than ten hours or one or two of them lasted but three or four hours, all seeming to die in great agony. Mr. Money states that he had been using some straw from an old stack but did not suspect that there could be anything wrong with it until he lost the first horse last Friday. Mr. Money has two horses not yet affected with the disease and these were quickly removed from the stable upon the advice of Veterinarian McDowell. Mr. Money has many friends in this section who sympathize with him in his heavy loss.

NEW R. R. FENCE

The railroad has had a strong fence built between the two tracks with an opening about 8 feet wide at the point where the wooden crossing now is. The fence extends from near the tank to Main street crossing. Consequently the passengers alighting off south bound trains are forced to remain four or five minutes on that side until the train has drawn out. This will still further increase their chances of contracting colds, pneumonias, etc., while waiting in the winter time the open "Passenger Shed" provided for their accommodation! Even at any season in stormy weather, they may expect a wetting more or less through. The fence is intended to lessen their chances of getting killed by the cars, for which the company might be liable, if they die of lung or other diseases, consequent from this outrageous exposure—that is their own lookout, and for that the Company cares not a rap. They are liable, though, and some day when some keen attorney who both knows and dares, swings them roundly in damages for their brutal disregard of their patrons, ordinary safety and comfort, they may conclude it is cheaper to provide at least decent accommodations.

SPRING-TIME

Two caterpillars, three borers, two weeps, one June "beetler" and six blue bottle flies—one kite with one small boy—fourteen dittos hopping around certain elliptical figures on the ground, yelling "knuckle down to the inch bone!" "fan doubles!" "that's my ally!" etc., sundry citizens bending over garden spaces and their wives jumping around with dabbles and rakes fixin, flower beds; about every other able bodied male in town wanting to go a fishin'; the hum of insects in the air; the swelling buds and pretty flower faces peeping out the red, white overbuds now and then a sweet note of a lark or robin—admonish us all—spring has come.

A BLOODY BATTLE

Three Men Lost Their Lives on Pullman Car
Armed with a powerful automatic revolver and barricaded in the smoking compartment of a Pullman car attached to the Baltimore and Ohio northbound express, known as the Royal Blue, J. H. Bettes, aged about 40 years, a well known contractor of Dillon, S. C., held up the train at the Delaware avenue station in Wilmington, Wednesday evening, for nearly two hours after he had shot and killed two men and wounded three others.
Following is a list of the dead:
O. E. Wellman, aged about 50 years, conductor of the Baltimore and Ohio Royal Blue express train. He was shot in the arm and through the heart. His home was at 1402 S. Fifty-fourth street, Philadelphia.
Samuel Williams, colored, aged about 35 years of Baltimore, Md., porter on the Pullman train. Shot through the heart and through the stomach.
J. H. Bettes, aged about 40 years, a contractor of Dillon, South Carolina, the man who killed Wellman and Williams, shot through the heart, head, stomach, limbs and face. Died in the Homopathic Hospital, in Wilmington.

It was probably the most exciting scene ever witnessed in Wilmington and in a short time a thousand or more persons congregated around the station, being attracted by the many shots which were fired. That some of the police officers were not killed for the injured and more spectators hurt seems to have been a miracle, as the enraged man kept up almost a steady fire, probably using his pistol each time it became empty.
The police who were under the direct charge of Chief Black and Captain Evans, displayed great nerve.
When he boarded the train in Baltimore he walked to the second car from the locomotive, which was a Pullman parlor car. He took a seat well toward the front door and was engaged in reading for some time.

Bettes was seen to suddenly draw a revolver from his hip pocket and point it at the porter. Williams started to back away, but instead of getting into the narrow passageway that leads to the vestibule, he backed into the seat at the extreme end of the car. In an instant Bettes had fired two bullets into his body. One ball passed into his stomach and the second passed through his heart. Williams dropped back in the heavily cushioned seat and his head fell over against the window. He closed his eyes and died almost instantly.

Conductor O. E. Wellman, who was in the smoking car, heard the shots and he hurried back into the parlor car. Wellman was heard to say something to the man, who replied, after which they seemed to engage in an argument. Wellman turned and was about to walk through the passageway into the smoker again when Bettes fired two shots at him. The first struck his arm and broke it. The second struck Wellman in the right shoulder, as he turned away, and the ball went through the arm, through the body, through the heart and was found against a broken rib on the left side of the body. Wellman dropped to the floor dead.

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S. S. CONVENTION

The St. Georges Hundred Sunday School Convention will be held in the Presbyterian Church, at Port Penn, Thursday, April 7th, with morning and afternoon sessions, beginning at 10.30 A. M. The speakers will be: Miss Wilson, former State Secretary will give two addresses; subject: "Securing Recruits and Grading." Rev. Joel S. Gilliland; "Capturing the Home," Miss Edna Ewell; "The Most Promising Recruits," Mr. M. B. Barrie; "Capturing Boys and Girls." Other speakers of prominence will be in attendance. Miss Eva Vandegrift will render two solos.

All members and friends of the following churches and Sunday Schools are urged to be present: Odessa, Methodist and Presbyterian; Middletown, Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopal and Armstrong; Port Penn, Methodist and Presbyterian.
Come and help make the meeting a success, as we hope to make this convention decidedly the best ever held. It is requested that each one bring a basket lunch.

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COAL!

A Deal in Gun Barrels

BY WILLIAM HAMILTON OSBORNE

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

It was a month later that Broderson, of the Broderson Casting & Foundry Company, in town, strolled over to Billy Wilkinson's conservative little plant. There was very little doing at Billy's plant. It was generally running on something less than half time and barely made expenses for its trouble.

Billy, said Broderson, I want two hundred and fifty thousand gun barrels and I want 'em right away; and, besides, he added, I want 'em cheap. You see?

Whom do you want 'em for? queried Billy, agape with astonishment.

Broderson glanced sharply at his questioner. I want 'em for the United States government, he answered, flicking a bit of dust from his coat as he did so; for Uncle Sam. But, protested Wilkinson, Stacy-Smith have got the contract.

I know they have, returned Broderson, but that's none of your business and none of mine. If Stacy-Smith want to farm out this contract among half a dozen people, all O. K.

Wilkinson glanced at him in surprise. But, he protested, I can't furnish gun barrels at Stacy-Smith's price.

What have you got to do with that? queried Broderson. If Stacy-Smith are willing to take a big contract on their shoulders for the sake of the ad. that's up to them. Give me your price, and your lowest price at that, for two hundred and fifty thousand barrels, and do it right away.

Wilkinson gave it to him.

Good enough, returned Broderson. Now, all that you have to do is to sign this contract with me. The whys and wherefores needn't bother us. He stopped suddenly. By the way, he asked, can you handle such a contract? Or is it too big?

Wilkinson shook his head. Give me twenty-four hours to make arrangements, and I'll sign it for you then.

He started off for the banks, but retraced his steps. He went direct to Peter V. Codington and exhibited the contract.

Thunder! exclaimed Codington, in surprise, is this thing real? He read it over. His eyes bulged out. It seemed impossible to him that Billy Wilkinson, the failure, could be in such demand. I'm going home, said Codington, with a tone distinctly respectful and conciliating. Come up to dinner and talk it over.

Annabel met them at the door. Our ship is coming in, girlie, said Wilkinson enthusiastically. And even Peter V. nodded encouragingly. The three of them discussed it at supper. Billy laid before him all his plans.

I can get this money at the banks, Mr. Codington, Billy explained, but you were so good I thought I'd talk it over first with you.

They talked it over later, alone in the library, through the smoke of a couple of very good cigars.

I'll let you have what cash you need, finally announced Peter V. He did, on terms. When Billy Wilkinson left the library that night and walked into the outstretched arms of Annabel, he had done three things. He had arranged for the money with which to carry the big contract, he had agreed in writing to divide his profits with Peter V. Codington, and he had been uncompromisingly accepted as the prospective son-in-law of Codington.

But, he announced to Annabel, your father's going to put up thousands, and I'll sell my shirt to put this contract through. The ring will have to wait, that's all.

For months Billy Wilkinson worked as he had never worked before. He saw Annabel only on Sundays. If she wanted any more of his time she had to come down to the shop, and she and her father went there many times. Their motives were the same, Annabel had her private interest there, and Codington had a few of his precious thousands there, bound up in the machine called Wilkinson.

And they were there on that eventful afternoon, months later, when the last barrel had been polished, the last penny earned. The contract was complete.

It was on that afternoon that three undersized, natty, dapper little gentlemen alighted from the train at the South Street station, took a cab, and sped direct to Billy's foundry. They alighted and made their way cautiously and delicately through the yard and into the office. In the office

were Billy and Codington and Annabel. Billy saw the three strangers first.

Japanese! he exclaimed. What the dickens are they doing here? Hastily he strode to a door overlooking the interior of one of his big casting plants, closed it, and then approached his visitors. They handed out three cards. Billy looked at one.

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That was all it said. Billy Wilkinson grinned and turned to Annabel and Codington.

They're spies, he said, exhibiting the cards—Japanese spies. He turned back to the visitors. What are you after, gentlemen? he asked.

Jiosuke Abo nodded gently. The barrels of the guns, he intimated in a half whisper. We desire to make a test—to arrange to satisfy.

Why, you nifty chaps! exclaimed Billy. You want to see my gun barrels—

Our gun barrels, insisted the emissaries on special service. We are engineers. Jiosuke Abo drew from his pocket a document and passed it over to Wilkinson. Wilkinson looked at it and gasped.

Great Scott! he exclaimed, his face paling as he spoke. You don't mean to say that my gun barrels—these gun barrels—are for you?

They bowed.

Wonderful! The Wilkinson gun barrel—for Japan!

Wilkinson stepped to the phone and called up Broderson. He got him just as he was leaving. You come over here, yelled Billy through the phone.

Broderson came. He was somewhat disconcerted when he saw Annabel. He didn't mind old Codington. He had come to talk business of a certain kind, but he didn't like to talk it before Annabel.

Broderson, exclaimed Billy, are these your people?

They are, replied Broderson. What of it?

You told me, returned Wilkinson, that these gun barrels were for Uncle Sam—do you remember that?—for Uncle Sam.

Annabel glanced swiftly at Broderson, and Broderson glanced at Annabel, for, to him, she was still a possibility. He paled. He was going to deny it, but he didn't.

Wilkinson, he said, producing a paper, all that you and I need worry about is that you and I made a contract—in writing, understand—by which you were to make this stuff for me. Read that. That doesn't say anything about Uncle Sam, does it?

And Stacy-Smith? gasped Wilkinson.

Does the contract say anything about Stacy-Smith?

And it doesn't say anything about Japan, either, persisted Wilkinson, and if I had known—He turned to the Japanese. You get out of here, he said in sudden rage.

But Broderson shook his head. Stay where you are, gentlemen, he said. They stayed.

And these rifle barrels are for Japan, went on Billy Wilkinson. He stepped suddenly toward Broderson.

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It's treason. Not on your life. Broderson flushed. Billy, he said, there is a plain, simple business proposition, which will be upheld in any court in the land. I ordered so much stuff from you. You agreed to furnish it. Will you furnish it or won't you?

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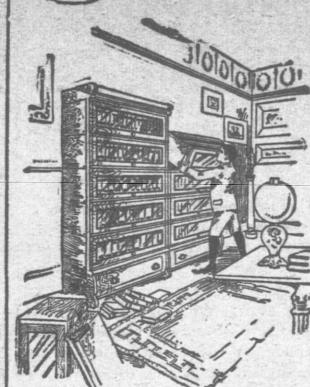
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